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Serial No.:

Unknown (Divisional of 09/407,818)

Title:

PRIMERS FOR USE IN DETECTING BETA-LACTAMASES

Assistant Commissioner for Patents ATTN: Box PATENT APPLICATION

Washington, D.C. 20231

We are transmitting the following documents along with this Transmittal Sheet (which is submitted in triplicate):

- X (Divisional) Utility Patent Application: Specification (55 pgs); Claims (57 claims on 13 pgs); 1 pg Abstract.
- \_\_\_ Application Data Sheet: \_\_pgs.
  - \_\_\_ Sheets of formal drawings.
- \_\_\_ A signed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- X A return postcard.
- \_ An Assignment of the invention to \_ and Recordation Form Cover Sheet.
- A check in the amount of \$40.00 to cover the Assignment Recording Fee.
- \_\_\_ A certified copy of a \_ application, Serial No. \_\_, filed \_\_\_\_, the right of priority of which is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
- X Computer readable form of "Sequence Listing" (one diskette). Applicants state that the paper copy form of the "Sequence Listing" section of the present application, and the computer readable form submitted herewith, are the same.
- X Request for Filing a Divisional Patent Application Under Rule 1.53(b) (3 pgs.)
- X Copy of Declaration and Power of Attorney from parent application (3 pages):
- Preliminary Amendment with attached Appendix A (12 pgs. total);
  - A check in the amount of \$ 979 to cover the filing fee, which is calculated below:
     X Small Entity Status is entitled to be asserted in the above-identified application.

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|            | Total Claims  | 36                                    | 20  | 16                                 | x \$9 =                 | \$144        |  |  |
| 1.46       | Independent Claims  | 15                                    | 3   | 12                                 | x \$40 =                | \$480        |  |  |
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| 180.00030103  | Class         | Subclass                   | Examiner<br>Unknown | Art Unit<br>Unknown |

# REQUEST FOR FILING A DIVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION UNDER RULE 1.53(b)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Attn: Box PATENT APPLICATION Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a request for filing a divisional application under 37 CFR §1.53(b) of Serial No.09/407,818, filed on September 28, 1999, entitled PRIMERS FOR USE IN DETECTING BETA-LACTAMASES by the following inventor(s) (name, address, and citizenship):

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- 1. \_\_ Enclosed is a copy of the specification (including claims, abstract, and drawings) as filed in the prior application.
- 2. X Enclosed is a new specification (including claims and abstract). The entire disclosure of the prior application is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference.
- 3. X Enclosed is a copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney filed in the prior application.
- 4. \_\_ Enclosed is a newly executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- 5. \_\_ Enclosed are [in] formal drawings (\_\_ sheets).

Title: PRIMERS FOR USE IN DETECTING BETA-LACTAMASES

- Cancel in this application claims 3, 6, 12-16, 22, 23, 28, 29, and 39-48 before calculating the 6.  $\mathbf{X}$ filing fee. (At least one independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
- A preliminary amendment and an Appendix A (Specification/Claim Amendments with Notations 7.  $\mathbf{X}$ To Indicate Changes Made) are enclosed.
- 8. The filing fee is calculated below: X

|                    |            | CLAIMS AS FILE  |             |                          |
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| NUMBER FILED       |            | NUMBER<br>EXTRA | RATE        | BASIC FEE<br>\$710/\$355 |
| Total Claims       | 36-20 =    | 16              | \$18/\$9    | \$144                    |
| Independent Claims | 15-3=      | 12              | \$80/\$40   | \$480                    |
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- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees as set forth in 37 CFR §1.16 10. X to 1.18 which may be required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Account No. 13-4895.
- This application is being filed by less than all of the inventors named in the prior application. 11. Please delete the names of the following inventor(s) who are not inventors of the invention claimed in the present application:

12. X Amend the specification by inserting the following section after the "Title" heading on page 1: --Statement of Related Applications

This application is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/407,818, filed September 28, 1999, entitled "Primers for Use in Detecting Beta-Lactamases," which claims the benefit of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 60/102,181 filed September 28, 1998, entitled "Primers for Use in Detecting Beta-Lactamases," and U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 60/121,765 filed February 26, 1999, also entitled "Primers for Use in Detecting Beta-Lactamases." All three applications are incorporated herein by reference.--

- Priority of foreign application Serial No. \_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_ in (country) \_\_\_\_\_ is claimed under 13. 35 U.S.C. §119.
- 14. <u>X</u> The prior application is assigned of record to Creighton University.

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